

April 15, 2016

Ocotillo District Weekly Update

Councilmember Aldama's Second Annual Hook a Kid on Fishing Event!



Saturday, April 16, from 9am-2pm Bonsall Park South on 59th Ave and Bethany Home Rd

Free Rods! Free Tackle! Free Bait!



COME JOIN US TOMORROW!!

Come join Glendale Councilmember Jamie Aldama of the Ocotillo District at Bonsall Park South on 59th Avenue and Bethany Home Road, Saturday, April 16, from 9am - 2pm for his second annual Free Hook a Kid on Fishing event. Kids of all ages are welcome to come out to the park and fish, but those kids ages 10-17 - who are accompanied by a parent - can sign up for a free Arizona fishing license that is good for twelve months at any Arizona lake.

Arizona Game and Fish will be loaning free rods, tackle, and bait for kids who do not have the equipment on Saturday, and Cabela's will be providing additional giveaways throughout the event.

Bring the whole family out to enjoy the wonderful Arizona Spring weather and catch some fish!



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Keep your Children Safe around Water!

GLENDALE FIRE DEPARTMENT CONDUCTING DROWNING TRAINING

Glendale Firefighters are preparing for an event they hope never happens again: a drowning. Approximately 175 firefighters will participate in a two-hour long training exercise over the next several weeks during the department's regularly scheduled weekly medical training known as "EMS Wednesdays".



The drowning training began April 13.

The Glendale Fire Department's Emergency Medical Services Division is conducting the training, which will cover up-to-date information, review of protocols and lifesaving drug dosages, an examination of recent drowning calls, and an opportunity for firefighters to partake in a realistic drowning scenario that includes a life-size pediatric mannequin.

Glendale has had 3 drowning-related incidents in 2016, one in which a 5-year-old child died.

Remember, water hazards are dangerous year-round. Drowning's don't have an off season... Make sure the gate or door that leads to the pool is always locked. Interior fences provide an additional barrier and should have self-closing, self-latching gates.

Remember the A-B-C's for water safety:

- Always have Adult supervision around water.
- Barrier fencing around your pool is extremely important.
- Classes: Get involved Adults should take a CPR class and teach their children how to swim.

Supervision is needed around ALL bodies of water: Never allow your children to play around canals; they are deep and have strong undercurrents.

Never leave your children while bathing them in the tub or sink. Always have

Ocotillo District Amenities





Safe Haven Program

Are you afraid or don't want to keep your baby?
Do you just want someone to give your baby to, keep it safe, and make sure your baby gets a good home?

You have options.
Arizona has the **Safe Haven Law** that
identifies places where
mothers can safely and
anonymously give up
their babies without fear
of prosecution. We have
a Safe Haven crisis
response team available
to assist you with
questions, options and
resources, 24/7. Call 1866-707-2229.

everything you need on hand before you start their bath.

Children can also drown in buckets, the toilet, or even the dog's water dish.

The best drowning prevention tip is to always know where your children are, especially when around water.

Mobile Office Hours Scheduled for May



Monday, May 2, from 5-7pm

Come join Ocotillo District Councilmember Jamie Aldama for his next Mobile Office meeting on May 2, from 5-7pm at Desert Garden Elementary School in the cafeteria.

Come and take this opportunity to discuss those issues that are most important to you in our community and hear firsthand from the Councilmember the steps that he, and the City Council, have been taking to improve and grow the City of Glendale.

Please RSVP with Adam Maynes at 623-930-2878.

Congratulations to Emma Torres of Glendale High School!!

Councilmember Aldama Celebrates Her Achievement After She Is
Awarded the Prestigious Flinn Scholarship

Accompanied by family, friends, as well as School and District staff, Emma

If your baby is unharmed, is under 72 hours old and you don't intend to reclaim your baby, you have options! Simply bring your baby to the Safe Haven locations:

Any Hospital
Any Ambulance
Any Designated
Adoption Agency
On-duty Fire Stations
Any Designated
Church

You must hand your baby to a person at above locations or may place baby in Safe Haven drawer at designated hospitals. Tell them this is a safe haven baby and you may leave. Your baby will be cared for and a good home will be found for the baby.

Drop Off Drawer
Locations Click here for
the locations of hospitals
with anonymous drop off

For more information please go to azsbh2.org/information/.

drawers.



Torres, a Senior at Glendale High School, was celebrated by Councilmember Jamie Aldama for her outstanding high school record, and specifically her reception of the Flinn Scholarship. This scholarship, awarded to only 20 high school seniors in all of Arizona each year, is valued at over \$100,000, and covers the full cost of tuition, fees, as well as room and board at any of one of Arizona's three in-State Universities - Emma chose the University of Arizona - and also carries with it two international study experiences, the first of which will take place her Freshman year, and will take her to China.

As the Councilmember for the Ocotillo District where Glendale High School resides, Jamie Aldama wished to recognize Emma's achievement at the April 12, Council Meeting, and use her achievement as a model for success for all students in Glendale, as well as Arizona.

"Nothing is more important to the positive growth of our society than a solid education for all of our youths. But more importantly, nothing can raise the level of success in a young person's life than working hard all throughout their years in school, and aspiring to achieve the highest standards possible through studying and focus in the classroom. Emma Torres' reception of this Scholarship should be used as an example by all students, as a goal that anyone of them can achieve, if they only put their minds to it, and settle for nothing less than their best."

Glendale Civic Center 'Best in Arizona'



Glendale Civic Center Ranked #1 in "Best of Arizona" Poll Again!

The Glendale Civic Center has been voted No.1 for the fifth consecutive year for meeting and conference facilities in the State of Arizona by Arizona Business Journal's Ranking Arizona: The Best of Arizona Business publication.

The Glendale Civic Center, the only government owned and managed facility to make the list, outranked other competing nationally-known resorts in the Ranking Arizona business opinion poll featuring more than 160 business, tourism and leisure categories throughout Arizona.

Located in the city's historic downtown, the city-owned venue has 40,000 sq.-ft. of flexible indoor and outdoor meeting space and accommodates corporate events, trade shows, weddings and private parties. Along with customized event planning services, Glendale Civic Center also offers high-tech audio, visual and lighting technologies, an FM system for hard-of-hearing guests and free hotspot connection to Google's indoor mapping system for mobile smart devices.

"We pride ourselves on being easy to do business with. Each client has unique needs and we do our best to meet and exceed their expectations. We are committed to providing top notch service and recognize that this is critical to our continuing success," said Diane Williams, General Manager. The facility averages 62,000 visitors to the facility annually. Arizona Catering, a local business for more than 30 years, is the venue's official caterer. For more information, call 623-930-4300. For an online video tour, visit http://www.glendaleciviccenter.com/.



GLENDALE FIRE DEPARTMENT HONORS 19 AT CEREMONY

The Glendale Fire Department recently honored 19 members of the department at a promotional ceremony on April 7. The ceremony was held in the Glendale City Council Chambers and formally acknowledged the recent hires for Glendale Fire, as well as newly-promoted firefighters.

The Fire Marshall's Office, which is responsible for code enforcement, fire investigations and fee-related ordinance development among other things, hired four new employees. Those employees are: Assistant Fire Marshall Robert Popa and Fire Inspectors Jeff Ashley, Jennifer Levario and Eric Davis.

The fire department also promoted the following 15 members:

Assistant Chief Dave Jensen

Battalion Chiefs
Eric Eckert
Skeeter Lorence
Mark Manor

Captains
Josh Brayer
David Colson
Ron Hart
Randy Rodriguez
Jarrett White
Jason Zeller

Engineers
Amber Johnsson
Amber Jones
Anthony Valverde
John Walter III
Matt Zongas

Coming Up



THE GIVING TREE: DESERT TREE CARE CLASS AND DEMONSTRATION

Learn proper tree care at the Glendale
Main Library and Xeriscape
Demonstration Garden on April 16
Glendale, Ariz. -- Did you know that a
mature mesquite tree can provide nearly
\$100 in environmental and economic
benefits each year?



Protect your landscape investment by learning how to be a good tree owner at the "Desert Tree Care" workshop from 9:30 a.m. to noon, Saturday, April 16, at the Glendale Main Library and Xeriscape Demonstration Garden (5959 W. Brown St.).

A certified arborist will teach an in-class workshop, followed by live tree care demonstrations in the Xeriscape Garden where attendees will get to see first-hand how to properly plant, water, and prune a tree. Master Gardener volunteers will be on hand to help answer attendees' questions. The class and demonstration are coordinated by the City of Glendale Water Services Department.

Just in time for Arbor Day, tags showing the environmental and economic value of trees will be displayed on a dozen specimen trees in the Xeriscape Garden. Trees help improve our environment by providing clean air and water, shade and energy savings, and wildlife habitat. Healthy mature trees can even raise your property value.

Desert tree care information can be accessed through the city's tree webpage at www.glendaleaz.com/trees. This content-rich webpage includes how-to videos, resources, and a slideshow. For a complete listing of Glendale's free "Green-Living" class series, visit www.glendaleaz.com/green. The classes are free, but advance registration is required. Simply call 623-930-3760 or e-mail greenliving@glendaleaz.com.



Make Your Taxes Less Taxing Tax Help from AARP Tax-Aide 8 a.m. to 1 p.m., Monday - Thursday, except holidays (Fridays by appointment only), through Apr. 18, at the Glendale Adult Center, 5970 W. Brown St.

AARP Tax-Aide volunteers will provide free basic assistance with filing federal and state taxes online. This service is open to anyone but is aimed at moderate-income and low-income people ages 60 and older. All volunteer preparers are IRS-trained and certified. Please note that volunteers cannot assist with business or complicated individual returns. Service is limited to the first 50 people per day. For more information, call 1-888-227-7669 or visit www.aarp.org/taxaide.



Coffee with a Cop

Join your neighbors and police officers for coffee and conversation. No agenda or speeches, just a chance to ask questions, voice concerns and hear about crime trends in your neighborhood. For more information, contact your Community Action Team: Officer Andy Lynes, 623-930-2554, Crime Prevention Specialist Angela Botz, 623-930-2571.

Apr 20 - Parson's - 9:00a.m.-10:30a.m. - 5921 W Northern

GLENDALE LIBRARY GO MOBILE PROGRAM OFFERS FREE WORKSHOP ON HEALTH APPS

Keep that New Year's resolution!

The public is invited to participate in "Healthy Apps at Your Library" on Thursday, April 21 at 6:30 p.m. at the Velma Teague Branch Library, 7010 N. 58th Ave., Glendale.



"Improving your health is just a touch away on most smart devices, but the amount of information at your fingertips and learning about the wide range of health and medicine apps available through mobile devices can be overwhelming," said librarian Stephanie Rumsey, Go Mobile Program instructor.

The special one-night instructional course about health and fitness apps is being presented as part of the Go Mobile Program series. Hand-held Android tablets will be provided for use during the class. Participants will discover their best health app fit by learning how to download, evaluate, compare and customize different specialty apps to optimize their use and maximize their potential health benefits.

The Go Mobile Program series is open to adults and requires prior registration at http://bit.ly/findhealthapps. For more information or special accommodations, please call 623-930-3440.

Android tablets used for instructional purposes were purchased by the library with support by the Arizona State Library, Archives, and Public Records, a division of the Secretary of State, with federal funds from the Institute of Museum and Library Services.



Glendale Empowerment Expo

9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m., Saturday April 23 from *Glendale Civic Center*

The Glendale Empowerment Expo, hosted by Glendale's Commission on Persons with Disabilities, will connect local community members with nonprofits, community-based organizations and government agencies serving individuals with

physical disabilities.

The event will feature a resource and information fair, a town hall meeting to encourage public discussion, and awards recognizing the contributions of an individual and service provider who have improved the disability community in Glendale. Staff contact: Stephanie Miller at 930-3433.

Biography

ERIC BENNETT World Archery Champion Two-time Paralympian

Eric Bennett began shooting archery at age seven. At age 15, he was involved in a tragic automobile accident that cost him his right arm. After nearly 10 years away from the sport, Eric's father encouraged him to give archery another try. He soon began competing and re-found his long-lost passion for the sport. Eric made his first world team in 2007. Since then, he has been a part of the US National team competing in three World Championships and two Paralympic Games. Eric is the first American to compete in two different disciplines (Compound and Recurve) at two different games. He is also the first American to win a World Championship in the Para Recurve division. He is a four-time National Champion and currently holds two world records.

Eric Bennett, 42, works as a Physics and Engineering teacher at Shadow Ridge High School in Surprise, Arizona. When he is not shooting, he is a Level 4 archery coach for U.S. Archery. Eric likes to spend time outdoors camping, fishing and exploring Arizona with his family. Eric and his wife Rachel have a 10-year-old son, Logan, and a daughter, Natalie, age seven.



Paralympic Experience:

- * 2012 London Paralympic Games, 4th Place Individual Finish (Recurve)
- * 2008 Beijing Paralympic Games, 9th Place Individual Finish (Compound) Career Highlights:
- * 2015 World Champion (Open Male Recurve) Para World Championships, Donaueschingen, Germany
- * 2015 Silver Medal (Open Male Recurve) Para Pan American Games, Toronto, Canada
- * 2015 Bronze Medal (Male Recurve Team) Czech Open, Nove Mesto, Czech Republic
- * 2015 Indoor National Champion (Open Male Recurve) National Indoor Championships, Salt Lake City, Utah
- * 2014 Silver Medal (Open Male Compound) Pan American

Championships, Rosario, Argentina

- * 2014 Outdoor National Champion (Open Male Compound) National Outdoor Championships, Hamilton, Ohio
- * 2014 Silver Medal (Male Compound Team) Czech Open, Nove Mesto, Czech Republic
- * 2009 Indoor National Champion (Open Male Compound) National Indoor Championship, Rio Rancho, New Mexico
- * 2008 Silver Medal (Open Male Compound) European Grand Prix, Stoke-Mandeville, United Kingdom
- * 2008 Outdoor National Champion (Open Male Compound) National Outdoor Championships, Colorado Springs, Colorado

Current World Records:

- * 60 Arrow 18m Para Open Male Recurve Individual 592
- * 24 Arrow 50m Para Open Male Compound Team 232

Public Hearing On General Plan Updates Schedule For April

Meetings in April to discuss approval of Envision Glendale 2040.



The city of Glendale's Planning Commission will hold two meetings in April to discuss the approval of the update to the city's General plan, which residents will have the opportunity to vote on in the Aug. 30 primary election.

What exactly is a general plan? Every city and county in Arizona is required by state law to prepare and maintain a planning document called a general plan. It is a policy statement, designed to serve as the jurisdiction's "constitution" or "blueprint" for future decisions concerning land use and resource conservation. All specific plans, subdivisions, public works projects, and zoning decisions must be consistent with the city's General Plan. Glendale's general plan was last updated in 2002. The city began this general plan update process almost two years ago, and is now entering the final stage. The public review period of the draft plan ended on April 9, and the next step is to bring the plan before the Planning Commission, and hold a subsequent public hearing before bringing the issue before the City Council.

The meeting schedule is:

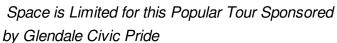
 Planning Commission meeting: Saturday, April 23, 10 a.m. at the Foothills Recreation & Aquatics Center (Bobcat Room), 5600 W. Union Hills Dr.

- Planning Commission public hearing: Monday, April 25, 6 p.m. at the City Council Chambers, 5850 W. Glendale Ave.
- Glendale City Council meeting: Tuesday, April 26, 6 p.m. at the City Council Chambers, 5850 W. Glendale Ave.

If the plan is brought forth by the commission and approved by the City Council, residents will have the opportunity to vote on the plan update in the Aug. 30 primary election.

More information on the Envision Glendale 2040 is available online at www.glendale2040.com, or by contacting Planning Director Jon Froke via email at jfroke@glendaleaz.com.

ALL ABOARD FOR A GLENDALE HISTORICAL JOURNEY: 13TH ANNUAL HISTORIC PRESERVATION TOUR



homes or other sites that are historically significant.



Take a step back through time during Glendale's 13th annual Historic Preservation Tour. The event provides a guided, armchair tour of significant historic sites within Glendale, as well as walking tours of a few selected

DATE & TIME OF TOUR

Date: Saturday, April 30, 2016

Check in and Boarding Time: 8:30 - 9 a.m.

Departure Time: 9 a.m.

Return Time: Noon

Point of Departure & Return: Glendale Civic Center

5750 W. Glenn Dr.

A detailed itinerary, along with maps and other informational items will be provided on the tour. Participation is limited to the 95 seats available on two motor coaches, and reservations will be made on a first-come-first-served basis. Children ages 15 and above are welcome, if accompanied by an adult. The tour is offered for free, thanks to a sponsorship from the Glendale Civic Pride Ambassadors.

To make a reservation or request additional information, contact City Planner Martin Martell at mmartell@glendaleaz.com.



GLENDALE UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT ART EXHIBIT PRESENTED AT GALLERY GLENDALE AT WESTGATE GUHSD

Students and Teachers exhibit art through the end of April

The city of Glendale proudly presents a month long exhibit featuring the artwork of the Glendale Union High School District's students and faculty beginning April 1 at Gallery Glendale at Westgate Entertainment District. A public reception for this art exhibit will be held on Friday, April 15 from 5-9 p.m.

On display from April 1 to April 30, 2016, the exhibition features approximately 90 pieces of student work from all nine schools in the Glendale Union High School District. In addition to the students' artwork, 25 teachers from around the district will have pieces on exhibit. The art will include drawings, paintings, mixed media, 3-D art and photography.

Most artwork will be available for sale.

The public reception is a gala affair to celebrate the talents of these gifted student and faculty artists. Appetizers and refreshments will be served by Apollo High School Culinary students. Music students from throughout the district will perform during the evening. The reception is a free event. Gallery Glendale at Westgate is made possible through a partnership between the City of Glendale and Westgate Entertainment District. Gallery hours are 6-9 p.m. on Fridays and Saturdays. The Gallery is located at 9380 W. Westgate Blvd. suite D-102, next to Crave Waffle Sandwich Creations. Admission to the gallery is free and open to the public. For more information, call 623-930-3557 or visit www.glendaleaz.com/galleryglendale.

CALL FOR NOMINATIONS FOR 2016 RUTH BYRNE HISTORIC PRESERVATION AWARD

Recognition for Outstanding Contributions to Glendale's Historic Heritage

The Glendale Historic Preservation Commission is accepting nominations for the 21st Annual Ruth Byrne Historic Preservation Award. The purpose of the award is to recognize Glendale landmarks, individuals or organizations for outstanding contributions to Glendale's historic heritage.

The award is named after Ruth Byrne, a Glendale native, who made significant contributions to historic preservation in the city of Glendale. Byrne served on the Historic Preservation Commission, and is past president of the Glendale Arizona Historical Society.

Past award winners include the First United Methodist Church, a presence in Glendale since 1897; the 2011 Thunderbird Tower Restoration Committee which restored the Tower at Thunderbird School of Global Management; as well as David Chang, for the work associated with his investment and restoration of numerous historic buildings, all located in Historic Downtown Glendale. A complete list of past recipients of the Ruth Byrne Historic Preservation Award is available online.

Nomination forms are available at www.glendaleaz.com/historicpreservation and must be received no later than April 29, 2016. Send nominations to: Jon Froke, Historic Preservation Officer, City of Glendale Planning Department, 5850 W. Glendale Ave., Suite 212, Glendale, Arizona 85301; or by email to ifroke@glendaleaz.com.

The Historic Preservation Commission carefully reviews and evaluates all nominations as part of the selection process and the prestigious award will be presented to the selected recipient by the Glendale City Council. For more for information, call 623-930-2585, or visit www.glendaleaz.com/historicpreservaton.

ADDITIONAL CITY INFORMATION!

Want to Report a Code Violation?

Please use this link to report a code violation. The Code Compliance Department will then follow-up. Please be sure to provide all information that is requested.

http://www.glendaleaz.com/codecompliance/multiple-complaint-form.cfm

To find out information about street construction / traffic restrictions, or the pavement management program please click on the link below http://www.glendaleaz.com/improvements/



Bulk Trash Collection

Please click on the link below to view the bulk trash pick-up schedule. As a reminder, residents are asked to place bulk trash out no earlier than 6 a.m. on the Thursday before your scheduled service week and no later than 6 a.m. on the Monday of your scheduled service week. It is a violation of city ordinance to put bulk trash out before or after the assigned period. Failure to comply may result in enforcement action, including charges to the resident. http://www.glendaleaz.com/sanitation/documents/2016BTSchedThurs.pdf

To find out who your Community Action Team with the Glendale Police Department is click here:

https://www.glendaleaz.com/police/documents/CATTEAM_MAP_032315.pdf

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